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The Honorable Brian M. Cogan
United States District Judge
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, NY 11201

**Re: United States v. Monya Elson
Criminal Docket No. 06 CR 793**

Dear Judge Cogan:

The defendant Monya Elson is currently scheduled for a sentencing proceeding on April 27, 2007. On Monday, April 22, 2007, defendant filed a motion for a downward departure pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 5K2.10 arguing, among other things, that the victims' conduct contributed to his offense.

The government opposes this motion and is seeking an adjournment of sentence for three weeks until May 18, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in order to allow sufficient time to prepare a full response for the Court. I am in need of information from law enforcement and only today was able to contact the FBI case agent who is in the process of accessing the requested information. I have spoken to defense counsel James DiPietro, Esq., who indicated that he had no objection to this request or the adjournment date.

Respectfully Submitted,

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